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Mr. Phil Williams Channel 5 News 474 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37219

Via Facsimile 615-248-5394

Dear Mr. Williams:

Due to recent allegations made concerning UCDD and the Living the dream project, I felt it was appropriate that the matter needed to be investigated. Because of a potential conflict my office has with the case, and in order to let the citizens of this district know that this matter would be handled fairly, I have requested that the a District Attorney Pro Tem be appointed to review all the facts and make a decision as to what steps, if any, needed to be made.

The appointment of an Attorney General Pro Tcm is not an unusual decision. District Attorney Generals all across the State make these decisions to insure trust and confidence in the criminal justice system. When the court approves the Pro Tcm DA it will be a public record and that information will be available to the public.

Sincerely yours

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## PRESS RELEASE

Please be advised that the Honorable Randall Nichols, who is the District Attorney General for the 6<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, has been appointed as District Attorney General Pro Tempore to receive all information and to make any and all decisions as to whether there should be any future prosecutions associated with the Upper Cumberland Development District and Living the Dream, Inc. General Nichols is being appointed due to the fact that there is a potential conflict of interest existing that required the 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney General's Office to recuse itself from this matter. This should not be construed that any individual or person has violated the law in any respect.